

CLAIMS:

1. An adjustable latch, comprising:

a housing, including a bolt head at an inner part of a front end thereof, said bolt head being moveable from a forward extending position to a rearward retracting position when being actuated by latch actuating mechanism; said latch actuating mechanism including:

a link arranged in the housing, said link including a slot having a predetermined length and formed at a middle portion of a rear end thereof; a pair of elongated pieces formed on both sides of the slot respectively, each of said elongated pieces formed with a transmitting portion and a recess at a predetermined position thereon; and

a first plate and a second plate respectively arranged adjacent to the two elongated pieces on the both sides of said slot of said link, said first plate being formed with a transmitting portion and an engaging tab, said second plate being formed with a transmitting portion and an engaging tab, wherein the engaging tab of said first plate and the engaging tab of said second plate are adapted to respectively engage with said two recesses formed on the link, such that the first and second plates are slidable with respect to the link for a small distance, and that the transmitting portions of the link are spaced apart from the transmitting portions of the first and second plates along an axial direction, whereby the lock-latch mechanism can be selectively actuated by a half-round transmitting member of a handle assembly to achieve the operation of the latch.

2. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 1, wherein an axial distance of each of the recesses of the link is greater than an axial distance of each of the corresponding engaging tabs of the first and second plates.
3. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the link further comprises positioning members disposed on the elongated pieces on the slots thereof, and said first plate and second plate comprising locating portions for respectively engaging with said positioning members.

4. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising an adjusting member, said adjusting member having a generally U-shaped cross section and being slidable back and forth in the housing.
5. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the housing is provided with a faceplate member at a front end thereof.
6. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 5, wherein the faceplate member has a cylindrical shape.
7. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 5, wherein the faceplate member has a rectangular shape.
8. The adjustable latch as claimed in Claim 6, wherein the front end of the housing comprises at least one projection for engaging with a corresponding slot or L-shaped slot formed on the cylindrical member.
9. An adjustable latch, comprising:

a housing, including a bolt head at an inner part of a front end thereof, said bolt head being moveable from a forward extending position to a rearward retracting position when being actuated by latch actuating mechanism;

at least one projection extending transversely from the front end of the housing;

a cylindrical faceplate member removably assembled to the front end of the housing;

an elongated slot extending on an inner wall of the cylindrical faceplate member and generally parallel to an axial direction of the latch;

a transverse slot for being engaged with the projections of the housing, said transverse slot extending on the wall of the cylindrical faceplate member and communicating with said elongated slot;

a thru hole formed in the cylindrical faceplate member for receiving the bolt head.